(b) whether the situation in some parts of Jammu and Kashmir has gone out of the hands of Government and security forces consequent to which the army had to be brought in;

(c) if so, the details of the areas where army has been deployed to control the militancy;

(d) the reasons for not declaring such areas as disturbed areas; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to restore normalcy in the State of Jammu and Kashmir?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) 251 civilians including a U. S. National, 35 security force personnel, and 424 militants, including foreign nationals|mercenaries, were killed in Jammu & Kashmir during the months of May, June and July 1994.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. The Army is deployed according to the needs of the situation as a part of the joint and coordinated efforts of the State Government and the security forces to curb the activities of the militants and conn tain violence in the State.

(d) Keeping in view the present situation it is not considered necessary to declare any other areas in the State as "disturbed".

(e) Sustained counter-militancy operations are being conducted in the State. The situation is being kept under close watch and review and whenever necesary the deployment of forces is being augmented in the vulnerable areas. Apart from intensified patrolling, security force pickets have also been deployed in such areas for providing protection to the people and for security of vital installations, etc.

Seizure of arms and ammunition in Baramula District of Jammu and Kashmir

2174. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a huge cache of sophisticated arms and ammunition was seized in Baramula district of Jammu and Kashmir State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether this reveals anoher Pakistani bid to arm terrorists in Kashmir, and if so, the Governments's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) As per available infomation, a large quantity of arms, ammunition and explosives, including 8 AK rifles, 1 UMG, rocket launchers grenades etc., were seized in an operation in Baramulla District on 15 July, 1994.

(c) Pakistan is continuing its policy of fuelling, aiding and abetting terrorism and subversion in Jammu and Kashmir by providing arms training, funds, sanctuaries and logistical support to the militants, and has continued to try and infiltrate subversive elements including foreign nationals and mercenaries into the State Apart from continuing sustained vigil and operations with a view to flush out militants, check infiltration and contain violence Government have strongly urged Pakistan on several occasions and at various levels to stop its support to subversion and terrorism in the State. Government have also apprised the international community of the dangers inherent in the support extended by Pakistan to terrorism.